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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT : Roland Lippoldt et al.  
SERIAL NO. : Not Yet Known  
FILED : Concurrently  
FOR : A LOCKING DEVICE FOR A CLOSURE WITH A  
HOUSING  
EXAMINER : — GROUP: —

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Box: **Patent Application**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application before Action as follows:

**In the Claims:**

Replace Claims 4-15 and 17-19 with the amended Claims 4-15 and 17-19 as follows: